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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

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For: Semiconductor Device Manufacturing
Method and Semiconductor
Manufacturing Apparatus

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Examiner: Not assigned

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.136, Applicant respectfully petitions the Commissioner for a three-month extension of time extending to January 11, 2006, the period for response to the Final Office Action dated July 11, 2005. The extension is sought for the purpose of maintaining pendency so that a continuation application of this case may be filed. Please charge the fee of \$1020.00 for this extension to Deposit Account No. 50-1314. The responsive paper(s) are attached.

Please charge any insufficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1314. A copy of this petition is enclosed.

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Respectfully submitted,

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